

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.J. Res. 110, Further Additional Continuing Appropriations Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7855–S7886*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 5075–5077. **Page S7877**

**Measures Passed:**

***African American Burial Grounds Study Act:*** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. 2827, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of African American burial grounds, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S7859**

Brown Amendment No. 2721, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7859**

Brown Amendment No. 2722, to amend the title. **Page S7859**

***GLRI Act:*** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4031, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S7864–66**

***Amending the Grand Ronde Reservation Act:*** Senate passed S. 2716, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Pages S7866–67**

***Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act:*** Senate passed S. 3100, to convey land in Anchorage, Alaska, to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7867**

***Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center:*** Senate passed S. 4556, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to

facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California. **Page S7867**

***Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Land Transfer Act:*** Senate passed S. 3099, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska. **Pages S7867–68**

***Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act Deadline Extension:*** Senate passed S. 3948, to amend the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act to extend the deadline for a report by the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children. **Page S7868**

***Fishery Failures: Urgently Needed Disaster Declarations Act:*** Senate passed S. 2346, to improve the Fishery Resource Disaster Relief program of the National Marine Fisheries Service, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7868–71**

Blunt (for Wicker) Amendment No. 2723, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7871**

***Urban Indian Organization:*** Senate passed H.R. 6535, to deem an urban Indian organization and employees thereof to be a part of the Public Health Service for the purposes of certain claims for personal injury. **Page S7871**

***Young Fishermen's Development Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 1240, to preserve United States fishing heritage through a national program dedicated to training and assisting the next generation of commercial fishermen. **Page S7871**

***Protecting American Intellectual Property Act:*** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S.

3952, to require the imposition of sanctions with respect to foreign persons that have engaged in significant theft of trade secrets of United States persons, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S7871–72**

Blunt (for Van Hollen/Sasse) Amendment No. 2724, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7871–72**

***Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate Authority Delegation:*** Senate passed S. 5076, to authorize the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate to delegate authority to approve payroll and personnel actions. **Page S7872**

***Further Additional Continuing Appropriations Act:*** Senate passed H.J. Res. 110, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021. **Page S7885**

***Rocky Mountain National Park Boundary Modification Act:*** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5458, to modify the boundary of the Rocky Mountain National Park, and the bill was then passed. **Page S7885**

***Peace Corps Commemorative Work Extension Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 7460, to extend the authority for the establishment by the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation of a commemorative work to commemorate the mission of the Peace Corps and the ideals on which the Peace Corps was founded. **Page S7885**

***Weir Farm National Historical Park Redesignation Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 5852, to redesignate the Weir Farm National Historic Site in the State of Connecticut as the “Weir Farm National Historical Park”. **Page S7885**

**Signing Authority—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Scott be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions, on Sunday, December 20, 2020 and Monday, December 21, 2020. **Page S7885**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 84 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. EX. 282), Brian Noland, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board

of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2024.

**Pages S7856–57, S7859–60**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 84 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. EX. 281), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S7856–57**

By 80 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. EX. 284), Fernando L. Aenlle-Rocha, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Pages S7860–64, S7872–73**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 82 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. EX. 283), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S7860**

4 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force. **Pages S7882–84**

**Messages from the House:**

**Pages S7876–77**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Additional Statements:**

**Amendments Submitted:**

**Pages S7877–82**

**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—284) **Pages S7857, S7860, S7873**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m., until 12 noon on Monday, December 21, 2020. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7885.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.